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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

James J. HICKMAN

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Group Art Unit: 1631

Examiner: M. P. Allen

For: HIGH THROUGHPUT FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS

AMENDMENT

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated June 11, 2002 phaving a shortened H statutory period for response set to expire on September 11, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4, 13, 14, 16, 21, 22, 24 and 27 as follows:

4. (Once Amended) The system of claim 1 in which the instructions comprise data processing instructions capable of receiving input data comprising data on ion flux through ion channels selected from the group consisting of sodium channels, potassium channels, calcium channels, and combinations thereof.